

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION IX

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Mr. F. Andrew Piszkin BRAC Environmental Coordinator Base Realignment and Closure Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro 7040 Trabuco Road Irvine, CA 92618

RE: Federal Facility Agreement Schedule Extension Request, OU-3, Site 16, Crash Crew Training Pit No. 2, MCAS El Toro, dated April 2, 2003

Dear Mr. Piszkin:

EPA has received your request for an extension to submit the draft final ROD for Site 16. The Navy has requested to extend the submittal date from April 3, 2003 to May 2, 2003 in order for FFA parties to review changes the Navy has made to the Institutional Controls description in the draft ROD. These changes were made to be consistent with policy the EPA and Navy have been negotiating at the national level.

We concur with the request at this time, however EPA Region 9 would prefer no additional delays in moving forward with the draft final ROD even in the event that some issues exist at the end of the 30-day extension period.

If you have any questions, please call me at (415)972-3012.

Sincerely,

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